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In re the Application of: A. KURAMATA et al.

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For: OPTICAL SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING AN EPITAXIAL LAYER OF III-

V COMPOUND SEMICONDUCTOR MATERIAL CONTAINING N AS A GROUP

V ELEMENT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir:

March 28, 2002

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2001 for one month from February 28, 2002 to March 30, 2002.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the one month extension.

In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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